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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

WASHINGTON



Mr. L. A. Dorrington,
Supt., Sacramento Agency.

My dear Mr. Dorrington:

Reference is made to your telegram of June 16th and our reply thereto on June 17th, in regard to purchasing land for the Tejon Indians in California.

You are requested to make a careful investigation ~~with a view to determining how large an appropriation should be requested at the next session of Congress to adequately provide land for the Tejon Indians,~~ in addition to the \$7,900 you have already been authorized to use after July 1, 1924. It is desired that you report this information to the Office by telegraph at the earliest practicable date.

The funds for the purchase of land for landless Indians in California for the current fiscal year have practically all been used, and we will have no money for that purpose until July 1, 1924, when the appropriation for the fiscal year 1925 will be available. ~~It is believed the conditions will justify our using that entire appropriation for the Tejon Indians; and you are hereby authorized, in confirmation of Office telegram of June 17th, to enter into negotiations for options for the purchase of a home site for these Indians, not to exceed the sum of \$7,900. The options should be dated on or after July 1, 1924.~~

Very truly yours,

E. B. Meritt
Assistant Commissioner.